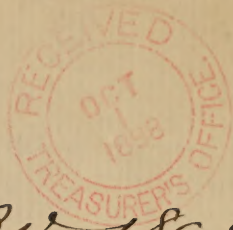


JOSEPH WALKER & SONS,
BANKERS,
MILLS BUILDING, N.Y.



Sept 30 1898

Mr Henry Colver Treas.

Dear Sir;

Negotiations
with the Syndicate having
in objective the building of
the Alaska & North Western RR
have proceeding to the point
that the money for construction
purchase of property will be
at hand within a maximum
of sixty days & a minimum of
thirty

I am therefore able to assure
you that the purchase of
Haynes Mission property will
take place within these
dates. Hoping that you

JOSEPH WALKER & SONS,
BANKERS,
MILLS BUILDING, N.Y.

plans have not been
unnecessarily embarrassed
by this unavoidable delay

I remain

Very Sincerely Yours

Perie Humbert Jr.

Feb 8th /99

Harries Alaska

Dr Jackson

Dear Friend

You sayd that if
I needed help I could call on you
Will you kindly tell me how I
can get a Government title to my lot
Mr S. Rapsinsky is claiming 350 ft
frontage and running back to the
Sawmill It is now in court as
Rev. W. and myself located and fenced
befor Mr R., and money atters located
just after they put quite sure of holding
there claims. If so I should like
to have myre as a Government right
My land is all cleared and I have
had my house up and geos next
May

Ward has just come to Rev W. that
the Government has taken about half of the
mission property for a military post

You will remember Lower Mills of Gey
I was told, that he has taken 40 acres
starting from the Mission cleared
ground running South. He claims that
the Mission can only hold what it has
improved

I have always felt that I owed you
an explanation. You will remember that I
asked for a private conversation. and then
said nothing to you

After asking you Miss Willard came to my
room and requested that I say nothing to
you. She stated that all things were right
and she didnt want your confidence
shaken in her for you were so discouraged
with the native girls now

She explained why things seemed wrong
and assured me they were right

I sayed nothing, for her sake neither

have I to only one since I have
had two or three letters about it but
in all cases I gave her explanation
of it

Mr. Worme and family are now well
they have all had the Grip

You will remember Mr. Campbell
probably We were married last Oct
and are now living in our home
here

Resp A. M. Campbell
rec Morning

Wants to build a
church. Mr. Home

Hammer Alaska Feb 7 1899

Rev B. F. McArthur

156 Fifth Ave.

New York City

Dear Bro. I inclose a copy
of an order that is of great
interest to you although you
may have seen a copy before
it will do no harm to send
you this. The boundaries
being so poorly defined it is
impossible to tell how much
of our claim is included
but whatever it is it is a good
one slice and some of the
best too.

The boom still continues,
the one great drawback is

see.

Is it of any use for people to send you written offers for large or small tracts of land wharf sites etc. Will you sell the timber?

Please drop me an answer at once. I am pestered to death with inquiries about our intentions.

The military reservation has about settled the question of the location of our future church building and now I wish if you have the money you would let me build for we need a larger room more than ever. We

have a growing number of white attendants and at this rate we shall soon have to have regular services for them. If you are going to sell out in small quantities

I should like to get a 1st or two.

Yours fraternally

Th. H. Harne

Department of the Interior,
Bureau of Education,

ALASKA DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., February 25, 1899



Mr. H. C. Olin,

Madison Square Branch, P.O.Box 156,

New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I send you the enclosed letter of Miss Manning showing the necessity of watching the interest of the Board at Haines. I think that Mr. Alger if applied to by Dr. Thompson in person would set aside that portion of the Military reservation which is on the mission ground.

Very truly yours,

Sheeldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

JUL 13 1901

REFER. H.C.O.
C.L. THOMPSON.

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Haines, Alaska

June 28th 1901

Chas L. Thompson D.D.

Dear Sir:

To day I mail you by direction S. H. Young D.D. a Photo of Haines Alaska showing Mission Building marked 1 in red ink, 2 Mause, 4 Building used as a cow stable, wagon shed, work shop, lumber room storz room, and a silo is built in it of concrete. 3. Black mark between no. 3 and red x is the N.E. Corner of Mission land and the starting point for all the surveying done around Haines

- 9 - Boundry Course South along tide water from no 3.
- 10 - Boundry Course West along Main St. from no 3.
- 11 - Mountain on the other side of Chilkat river from as river runs there S.E. Some time or other where Haines now is was the Chilkat river bed.
- 12 - South end of Native Village which cannot

be seen.

On Klukwan Photo

Red x below figure 5 is the house built by the Presbyterians many years ago, I am told.

The willows at no. 7 hides a number of native houses, the same at the upper end of village some houses are not in sight.

8- The house where Mr Sellen teaches and preaches, He lives in the Presbyterian house at no 5.

Yours Truly

A. R. Mackintosh
Haines,

Alaska.

Alaska waters

Sitka, Alaska, Sept. 20th, 1902.

REFER

C.L.T.

J.D.

G.F.M.

THE LADIES

S.F.
S.H.P.

My dear Mr. Allen

Yours concerning Haines property

reached me Thurs. just as I was about to board this str. I am on my way to Wrangell and on to Synod at Whatecom.

I took your letter to Mr. Rund (not "Rudd") the surveyor. He still thinks his surveys will stand and that you can immediately secure patents on the strength of them. In regard to surveying other mission grounds he says he will be willing to work for us for \$125. per month and his board and traveling expenses, and thinks he could survey two or three of the missions in a month. We would have to pay the chain-men, who must be persons not connected with the missions, and sworn in.

I have written Gen. Dietrich again, urging that Mr. Rund be allowed to survey the Haines property at once; telling him of the peril our property is in, and that we wish to apply for a patent which will settle the jumpers.

I think you are wise in concluding not to contest the matter with the War Department. I am assured that the officers here will do all in

their power to help us protect the remainder of the property. And here is another matter for you to bring before the Department at Washington: Since it was known that the Post would be established at Haines, the whole of the beach in front of the Mission, extending for half a mile clear down to the Gov't Reserve, has been taken by persons who wish to make money off the soldiers; and all sorts of houses are going up. It will be a veritable nest of vice - saloons, gambling hells, houses of prostitution. Now it is in the power of the Gov't to clear that 60 ft strip and keep it for what it is intended to be - a road. It would be greatly to the benefit of the military post, and also greatly to the advantage of the Mission if this strip is kept clear. Please see what you can do at Washington in this matter.

Mr. Rand overheard Marquand (not spelled "Marquand") talking to some citizens and urging that the fine tracts of land between our mission buildings and the military reserve, along the beach, be jumped and taken for building and garden lots, so they mean to leave us no land at all. I sent Mr. McIntosh a copy of your letter and directed him to put up all the protests and warnings necessary, and to be

in Skagway at the beginning of the term of court.
I went with Mr. Jones ^{today} to see Mr. Heid, but
he was away from town. I left your letter in
Mr. Jones' hands, with a plat. of the grounds,
and asked him to request Mr. Heid, either to
be in Skagway to conduct the case against
the juncos, or to name a Skagway lawyer,
^{who would take the case,} or to do both. As Mr. Heid has all the papers
in the case and knows it from the beginning
it would not be wise to summarily take the
case away from him and give it to a Skagway
lawyer. There is no Christian lawyer in Skag-
way. The best lawyer there - Mr. Jennings - has
been very ill, and it is doubtful whether he will
be able to act for us. We will do the best we can
in the matter, and try to be economical.

I shall not be back from Lynod until
two or three days after court convenes, but have
directed Mr. McFutosh to hold the Haines cases
over until I arrive. I think we will have no
difficulty in evicting the juncos, as Judge Brown
has shown a disposition to decide in our favor
heretofore.

Will you please to send me at once
all the historical documents you have bearing

on the case, including recent negotiations at Washington.

And when we secure the land we must improve it. so withhold the funds necessary to clear and till that fine farm would be pure economy. With that large military post there, and the resulting market, there is no reason at all why enough garden vegetables and small fruits should not be sold from our mission to pay for the running expenses of the House. In that way alone can it be made self-supporting.

An experienced ranch-man at Shesha-way, who has a fine kitchen-garden, told me that if he had that land at Haines Mission he would undertake to ^{support} a House with 25 Indian children in it, by raising and selling strawberries, raspberries, currants and gooseberries alone, to say nothing of the capabilities of the land for raising potatoes, turnips, vegetables, and cattle. In Mr. Macintosh we have an experienced farmer, and a level-headed, careful manager.

I think our ladies made a great mistake in not appointing members of his family as matrons and teachers of that House, instead of sending an inexperienced stranger; but it may work out all right. Excuse my presumption. Am writing Dr. Thompson.

Yours faithfully,

A. H. H. Young.

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Skagway, Alaska, March 19, 1903.

Rev. S. Hall Young, D.D.

Skagway, Alaska.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to the matter of the road across the Mission property at Haines, and connecting the Military Reservation and the Town of Haines, and to our recent conversation upon this subject, it is thought that the finance committee of your Board of Missions is under a misapprehension in regard to the character and uses of the road in question. It is not to be in any sense a military road, nor would the Government contemplate making special use of it for military or other purposes, or exercise any control over it whatsoever.

It is known to you, of course, that there has been, for a long time past, a road crossing the peninsula from Haines to Chilcat, running through what is now the Military Reservation and along the beach in front of your present property. It was the desire of this office to keep that road open for the benefit of the public but, in view of the locations made along the waterfront between high and low tide which, without a doubt, will be used for saloon and other purposes detrimental to the post, it was thought that this road might be deflected in that portion of its course and made to pass through your property instead.

The road is to be a public highway and a continuation of one of the streets of the town of Haines across your property, and it was thought that such a road would enhance the value of the Mission property, in case it should be your desire to sell or lease at any future time portions of the ground lying along its course.

The War Department would open the road across the reservation up to your line, and possibly might furnish a portion of the labor, uniting with the citizens of Haines and the Mission Board, in the remainder of the work, but I am quite satisfied that our Department would not undertake, under the circumstances, to build fences along the sides of the road and maintain and care for same in the future. The question of the right of squatters along the waterfront to take up and hold the ground now occupied by them is, I understand, in the hands of the Attorney General at Washington, and it may be that these squatters will be removed, in which event there would certainly be no advantage to the War Department in having the road run else-where than along the beach. In case, however, these squatters are not removed I see no way of protecting our troops from the objectionable places which would be maintained there, except by closing up the road altogether or turning its course through your property as suggested.

You will understand, of course, that this office is merely undertaking to devise ~~some plan~~ to meet the conditions as set forth, and that any arrangement or agreement entered into provisionally by me will be subject to approval of higher authority.

Very respectfully,

W.P. Richardson,

Captain 8th Infantry,

Constructing Quartermaster.

JUL 13 1903

REFER - H. C. O.

Haines, Alaska, July 3/03.

My dear Dr. Thompson:-

In connection with the enclosed quarterly report, I am sending a statement of expenses incurred by me before the instructions came that Mr. Mackintosh was to keep all accounts coming under the head of Industrial and also for ~~which~~ the meeting of which I have no fund. I have been keeping an Industrial account of expenses which naturally came my way or which I was asked to meet. I have taken these items from this account, excluding those already rendered to the Board, bills for horse, wagon, hardware etc also freight bills covered by the \$50.00 sent for that purpose.

The Drain ~~is~~ from our house to high tide and was absolutely necessary to health. Mr. Warner put in a 4x6 wooden drain which was

too small ~~so~~ that it had clogged up and been out of service a long while. Hence unsanitary conditions in rear of house and bath tub and sink waste depositing in the ground beneath the house. I put in a 12x12 flue for closet, bath tub and sink, working fully three days on it myself to save expense.

Now, this does not properly come under "Industrial" work - it is a general improvement (although we plan to utilize it later as an outlet for drains to the land above it). Hereafter, I intend, unless otherwise directed, to keep a General Expense account, to care for items not distinctively "Industrial" or "Church" and any deficit in this account which we may not be able to meet by local resources, I will report to you to be met from the funds of either Board as you yourselves decide.

I try in every way to keep expenses down and to this end have spent a great deal of time "working with my hands" and intend to help as largely

as possible with my own means until our home is fully repaired and the Church finished.

You will notice in my report that I have called for bids to build the Church, not to begin if possible Aug 3rd. As yet I have heard nothing regarding aid from the Bd of Church Erection but we are trusting that we will hear in time not to delay the beginning of work, as we will greatly need the building when the natives return from fishing and do sadly need it now for our white service.

Yours faithfully
J. B. Harrison.

Haines. Alaska July 3/03.

H. C. Allen
156 Fifth Ave
N. Y. City.

Dear Sir:-

When in the East speaking last winter, I visited
Warren, Pa and while there considerable interest was
manifested in our work at Haines and Mr. W. D. Todd
kindly subscribed \$25⁰⁰ to our building fund,
payable July 15th. As you received this fund in trust
for us, will you kindly write him in the matter
and oblige yours in His service

Address

W. D. Todd, Warren, Pa

O. H. Harrison.

Haines. July 3/03.

H. C. Allen Esq
156 Fifth Ave
N. Y. City.

Dear Sir-

I write to say that on last Thursday, the 25th of June, as the outcome of our land case in the April court, the U. S. Marshall ejected all claimants to our land and delivered the entire tract, free of encumbrances to me as the agent of the Board.

This ends our troubles as far as we are concerned - the only possible reopening of the case is in the Land office. Recently Mr. Witten, the legal mind of the Land office was here and examined into the matter. Mr. Macintosh gave him a splendid rehearsal of the case and I believe there is little prospect of an adverse

report by Mr. Witten.

But he told me that Nearguan's attorney had written him regarding it and he made the remark that the Land Office would not feel itself bound by the action of the court, so if you are in touch with them and think it wise, you might write them, stating that we have now secured full possession, that no one any longer disputes our title and we are desirous of securing our patent as soon as possible, before making further improvements, such as a model native village etc.

You might thus forestall any possible adverse decision.

Faithfully yours—

D. B. Harrison.

P.S. We were disappointed you turned your back on us, when you were as far as the Coast. Still we urgently invite you to "Try again". ~~RBH~~

F.F.

July 15th, 1903.

J. G. Price, Esq.,

430 Lumber Exchange,
Seattle, Wash.

My dear Sir:-

We are just in receipt of a letter from Rev. Norman B. Harrison, our missionary at Haines, Alaska, announcing that the U.S. Marshall has ejected all claimants from our lands and delivered the entire tract, free of incumbrance, to him as the agent of the Board. Mr. Harrison further says that this seems to end our trouble with regard to this matter, with the possible exception that very recently Mr. Witten, representing the Land Office, has visited the ground, and at the instigation of Marquan, has investigated the matter. While at Haines this Mr. Witten remarked, so Mr. Harrison says, that the Land Office would not feel itself bound by the action of the Court. Let me suggest that as you have all data in your possession, we shall be glad to have you write to the Land Office in Alaska, and as well to the General Land Office in Washington, stating that we are now in full possession of the property - that no one longer disputes our ~~title~~ title, and urging the immediate issue of our patents in order that our building improvements may go on. Might I ask that you will see to this very promptly, in order that we may forestall any possible adverse action by the Land Department, and also in order that we may not be hindered in building operations, for which we are preparing now.

Yours very truly,

Treasurer.

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430-31-32 LUMBER EXCHANGE
SEATTLE, U. S. A.

LESTER E. KIRKPATRICK
JOHN G. PRICE

TELEPHONE PINK 821

Seattle, Wn., July 20, 1903.

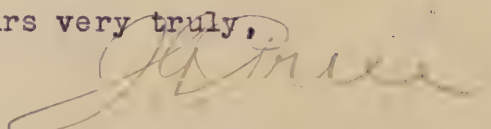
Mr. Harvey C. Olin,
Treas. Bd. Home Missions,
156-5th Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I have yours of July 15th in re Mission Station at Haines. I have already written letter in regard to the matters contained in yours in trying to hasten the patenting of Mission tracts in Alaska, and especially the one at Haines.

I beg to assure you I have these matters in mind, and will use my best efforts to hurry things up. I am afraid we will have trouble with Marquam when we come to the final proofs in the Land Office, but I am not apprehensive as to the outcome. He seems to be wanting to give us all the trouble possible on the theory of "getting even" I think, as much as anything else.

Yours very truly,



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156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK,

July 17, 1903

To Mr. A. C. Mc

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Dear Brother:

The application of the Chilcat Church
in Haines, Alaska for a grant of \$1,000 to aid in building a
House of Worship, came before the Board at its meeting, July 17th 1903
The Board voted to appropriate \$1,000; to be paid when the usual
conditions are met.

I have notified the Haines and sent
them blanks for insurance survey, & Certificate of Completion
Let me know when you wish to execute mortgage -

You will notice by referring to the copy of the rules by the General Assembly
already sent you that the appropriation cannot be paid until the building is so
far completed and paid for, "that the sum to be received from the Board will en-
tirely complete the building and leave the congregation free from all debt."

If you will notify me about a month before the Church is ready for the
money, I will forward the necessary blanks for the mortgage, insurance survey
and trustees' certificate.

This will enable you to execute the mortgage, record it, and send it on with
the insurance survey for approval, and when later the above condition is fulfilled,
upon forwarding the trustees' certificate to that effect, the money will be re-
mitted without delay.

In the meantime, please inform yourself whether in your State there are
any special requirements in the execution of mortgages, and particularly
whether an order of court or a vote of a congregational meeting, one or both,
is necessary.

In behalf of the Board, and with its best wishes,

Yours fraternally,

E. N. White

War Department,
Office of the Judge-Advocate General,
Washington,

July 29, 1903.

To the

Hon. H. C. Olin,
Treasurer, Presbyterian Board of Missions,
#156 Fifth Avenue,
New York.

My Dear Sir:-

In the latter part of February of this year I called upon the Commissioner of the General Land Office to learn whether the amended claim for location in the case of the Haines Mission in Alaska had been received at his office and was told that it had not been received.

I write this to ask whether you have any later advices from the people at Haines Mission as to whether a final claim has been filed in the Land Office. The favor of an early reply will be appreciated. Meantime I remain, as always,

Faithfully yours,

Ho. B. Davis

Judge-Advocate General.

Haines, Alaska, July 30th, 1903.

My dear Mr. Olin:-

Your letters of the 15th with enclosed checks were duly and gratefully received. We are glad for your kindly interest in our building enterprise which has its difficulties in this north land. I am returning to you Mr. Mackintosh's receipt for \$678.21.

We trust that word is now on the way to us of \$1000 granted for our building. I have signed a contract for the labor, permitting us to put on native carpenters who have donated their work, with two splendid workmen, namely two of our Skagway elders. They signed it leaving the time for beginning unspecified until I should receive definite word about our grant.

F.F.

July 30th, 1903.

Rev. N. B. Harrison,

Haines Mission, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Harrison:-

As you may already have been informed, the Board of Church Erection Fund has made a grant of \$700. for the building of a Church at Kluckwan. Dr. White will send me a check for the same within a day or two, and I will forward it to you. But meantime, it occurs to us that we should have some provision for a mission tract of land at Kluckwan. Certainly we should have a patent covering the acreage of property upon which our buildings stand there, if for no other purpose than to be able to give the Board of Church Erection Fund a valid mortgage to cover their loan. I am to-day writing to J. G. Price, Esq., our Attorney in these land patent cases in Seattle, and have said to him that you would write him giving him particulars upon which he may make application for a mission tract for our Board. It is entirely likely, I suppose, that your church and the other buildings at Kluckwan are in the midst of the Indian village, so that you will not be able to ask patent to more than possibly an acre or two without infringing upon the rights of some of our Indian friends. However, I should advise that you give as good a description as may be to Mr. Price to the land upon which the buildings stand, and by which they are surrounded, as much as you can properly claim, and which can be held without offense to our Indian neighbors. Then I would suggest that we ought to have a mission tract, as provided for in the laws of 1900, and as referred to in letter of Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D., copy of which I am passing you herewith.

Will you kindly attend to this matter and correspond with J. G. Price, Esq., 430 Lumber Exchange, Seattle, as I have suggested, regarding the matter. He will probably write you also, concerning this matter, as I am corresponding with him regarding it. Kindly send me a copy of such letters as you may write Mr. Price regarding this land matter, so that this office may be fully posted as the matter progresses.

Dr. White, of the Board of Church Erection, has been kind enough to say that he will pay over this \$700. in advance of a definite description of the lands we claim at Kluckwan.

Awaiting your early reply, I am

Very cordially yours,

Treasurer.

(Enclosure,

F.F.

July 30th, 1903.

J. G. Price, Esq.,

Seattle, Wash.

My dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 20th inst., with reply to ours of the 15th, in regard to the mission station at Haines, Alaska, came duly to hand. We thank you for the same, and for the assurance that matters are being pushed along as rapidly as possible in all these patent cases, and especially so with regard to Haines. I trust that Marquan may not give you further trouble, and I am sure you will be able to handle him should he attempt to do so.

Now there is one other point in Alaska at which we ought to have a mission reservation, that is at Kluckwan, twenty miles from Haines, among the Chilcats. This Board occupied Kluckwan as a mission station in 1880 or 1881, and work there was regularly carried on from Haines as a centre. We have now on the ground Mr. Fred Falconer and his wife as missionaries and they are working under the supervision of Rev. N. B. Harrison of Haines. I am to-day writing Mr. Harrison, asking him to communicate with you at once, giving you particulars as to this Kluckwan station, and would suggest that you also write to Mr. Harrison, giving him the form in which you wish him to furnish you with the information necessary for the application for a patent. You will doubtless hear from him immediately. We are now building a church at Kluckwan and there has been one or two buildings on the property, in the centre of the Indian village, as I understand it, so that I presume it will be necessary to get patents to this acre or two, as the case may be, upon which our buildings stand, and a further patent, possibly outside or on the edge of the town. However, Mr. Harrison will write you in full about this.

I shall be glad to hear from you from time to time as this matter progresses, so that we may know exactly where we stand.

Thanking you, sir, for taking this matter up for us,
I am,

Yours very truly,

Treasurer.

F.F.

July 30th, 1903.

Hon. Geo. B. Davis,

Judge Advocate General War Department,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:-

Your inquiry of the 29th inst., as to whether our people at Haines Mission, Alaska have filed a final and amended claim for location in the case of Haines Mission in the General Land Office, is at hand. In reply I beg to say that in February last our General Agent of Alaska, the Rev. S. Hall Young, D. D., through our Attorney, J. G. Price, Esq., of Seattle and Skagway, filed with the General Land Office at Sitka an amended claim covering this Haines Mission property. We supposed that a complete copy thereof would have been filed long before this time with the Land Office in Washington, if such action was necessary. If you find that there is no such claim on file in the General Land Office at Washington, I will at once take the matter up with our people and have a copy filed in the said office, if it is a necessary part of the procedure.

May I inquire further, if there has been any developments ~~x~~ with regard to this property, or as regards the squatters thereon? It may be of interest to you to know that through our counsel above referred to, we have prosecuted all squatters on our property, and ~~ejecution~~ has been rendered in our favor in the Courts of Alaska, and the jumpers all ejected. We have information that the most persistent jumper, one Marquan, proposes to make us trouble, although we do not clearly see how it can be accomplished. Should his case appear in the Departments, we shall be glad of your interest and notice to that effect.

Very cordially yours,

Treasurer.

F.F.

July 30th, 1903.

Hon. W. A. Richards,
Commissioner General Land Office,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

I am just in receipt of an inquiry which leads me to believe the amended claim for the location of a mission tract on behalf of this Board at Haines, Alaska, may not have been filed in your office. We know that said amended claim has been filed at the General Land Office at Sitka, and our Attorney, Jas. G. Price, Esq., of Seattle and Skagway, being well posted in matters of this kind, we supposed would have filed a copy of the claim with your office also, if such procedure had been necessary. Will you kindly say whether this amended claim has been filed in the General Land Office in Washington, and if not, whether it is absolutely necessary that it shall be filed there as well as in the General Land Office in Alaska?

Thanking you, sir, in advance for the courtesy of an early reply, I am

Yours very truly,

Treasurer.

F.F.

December 3rd, 1903.

Rev. Norman B. Harrison,
Haines, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Harrison:-

Yours of the 17th ult., enclosing letter from John G. Price, Esq., dated November 12th, with regard to the "Attorneys Fees" in the cases against Marquan, Handy, et al, is at hand. Relative thereto I beg to say: I have before me bill of J. G. Price, dated Skagway, April 17th, 1903, a copy of which I am sending you. For this same total we have Mr. Price's receipt dated June 1st. When transmitting this bill to us it was understood from Dr. Young that it covered Mr. Price's bill in full, and you will see the last two items are specifically for the Handy and Marquan matters. However, Mr. Price has done good work for us and we do not wish to have any misunderstanding with him, and I would therefore suggest that you reply to him, telling him what our understanding is, and say to him that we shall be glad to hold the matter in abeyance, with his consent, until Dr. Young comes out in the Spring.

Very cordially yours,

Treasurer.

(Enclosure)

*made check
advised letter
paid last night
Sund
7C
made Haines*
Haines, Alaska, Jan. 1st, 1904.

My dear Mr. Olin:-

It being the end of the quarter, I am sending you herewith my quarterly statement of expenses. It includes one or two items of native expense which I wish could be cared for in some other way but the situation has been such this fall that it could not be done. Last night we had a council meeting looking to a better organization by the appointment of committees for the various phases of work and I hope in this way to accomplish more.

I want to report also the present situation regarding our Social Hall and what we were compelled to do this past month. Kasko, the owner of the building, has been rather shiftless in letting his money slip from him till he was almost in want. This, coupled with the facts that his wife had left him so that he did not need the building for a home and that she was suing for divorce and part of his property so that he needed to hire a lawyer to protect himself, led him to sell his house. ^{Another} ~~Other~~ would have bought it for \$400, but he had promised it to us for a meeting house so he did not consider the other offer and was willing to give it to us for \$300. The situation was this: the people had become accustomed to ~~the~~ having the use of the house and to give it up would be a backward step very detrimental to our work. At the same time the Salvation Army was holding forth constantly and planning to have a hall of their own, so we could not afford to give up our foothold in the village

and leave them in full sway. It was Hobson's choice so we decided to do the needful thing. I paid down \$50, the amount needed for lawyer's *fee* and that satisfied till a deed was asked for then \$100 had to be paid to complete half of the purchase price.

Now the natives felt very badly about this sale, thinking that white men were coming in to own their property so we held a meeting and elected native trustees to act with me and I explained that the native church ^{*members*} were to own it. I said to the trustees that if we were going to own it we should pay for it so they purpose to present the matter to the people in that light. But in the meantime they wanted me to ask the Board to advance us this \$150 paid to secure the deed, until we should be able to get it from the people. Last ~~Summer~~ was a very poor fishing season so the natives have "lost" most of their season's money already: but we will get some of it this winter and some next fall.

It was quite a step in advance for them to hold property and have trustees, so I trust the Board will see its way clear to encourage them by advancing this money to them. If any time limit is set I would say a year.

And I must also urge this as a personal favor since I was compelled to make the advance payment from funds that were intended for the completion of the Kluckwan Church and putting folding doors in our own. These doors have been ordered and will need to be paid for not later than Feb. 1st and the Kluckwan shingle bill of ninety some dollars has already been presented although time has been given us for its payment. 4 22-1231

So far my stay here has been quite unsatisfactory on account of so many business matters accompanied with financial considerations and sometimes they have been quite a burden to the detriment of my spiritual work:but I hope that this will not always be so and I trust that the Board will be able to relieve me of further anxiety in this matter by lending us assistance at this time.

I know how Home Mission money is secured and I have not yet grown accustomed to consuming it for things outside of the missionary's support, but I presume you have become accustomed, from past experience, to ^{doing} ~~doing~~ it out for expenses in such a work as this at Haines. You may be sure I shall press forward along self-supporting lines wherever the way opens for it.

In the present case, I will of course sign for the money and strive to secure its return as promptly as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Stewart B. Harrison.

Skagway, Alaska, Oct. 13/04.

I hereby acknowledge the receipt of One Hundred and Twenty Dollars (120.00) paid to me this day by N.B.Harrison, formerly of Haines Mission, being the final payment of the purchase price on my house in Haines, sold for \$300 to the Chilkat Presbyterian Church by agreement with N.B.Harrison and A.R.Mackintosh,, entered into the 23rd day of November 1903. And I hereby make final release of all claim to said property.

Signed,

KASKO

Witnesses,

B. A. O. Kaler

Chas. Silby

Skagway, Alaska, Oct. 19/04.

My dear Mr. Olin:

Your recent letter of inquiry regarding the status of the ~~status~~ ^{at Haines,} of the Social Hall was duly received. I was on the point of writing you concerning it. Herewith I enclose a receipt showing that I have paid all that was due on the building. There were no funds on hand to meet this last payment which was due after the fishing season and Mr. Mackintosh was not disposed to do anything in the matter so, with the assistance of a friend who is interested, I managed to advance the money personally and thus meet the obligation.

The project has not gone satisfactorily from the start but had I remained at Haines I would have seen it through successfully and had planned for the money to reimburse the \$150 in due time.

I had hoped that the Board of Church Erection would come to our aid in time to meet this last payment but our application was too late in going in. The plan at present is to turn the building into a native church to be used more strictly for meetings. Dr. MacAfee looked over the situation and realizes the need of the white and native congregations having separate houses of worship, for the best good of each. I presume he has attended to our application for aid from the Church Erection Fund. If granted this will relieve the present stress, and when the building is fitted up as a church I would advise the white congregation buying out the interest of the natives in the present church, thus supplying them with further funds.

There were three sources from which I hoped to get help in the

matter: the gifts of the natives themselves, the purchasing of their interest in the present church (about \$70 as nearly as I can compute all money and labor contributions), and the Church Erection Fund. This last has not materialized as yet, for the second it is a little premature although the separation could take place soon. And the first mentioned source is proving very unreliable I am sorry to state.

It was because the natives had so little money last winter that we asked a loan. Toward spring I canvassed the matter with some of the leaders and it seemed useless to attempt anything toward securing funds then. Mr. Mackintosh and I both agreed that this fall would be the time. Then the call came to go to Skagway and my acceptance of it kept me from any contact with the natives all summer. This fall they have gone to pieces with feasting near Haines and soon at Sitka, spending their money and reducing them to the same state they were in last year.

For these and other reasons I would recommend that the Board own the building itself, taking up the loan already made, and on the strength of this investment (as also the fact that Kasko virtually contributed \$100 in selling us the house for \$300), securing the aid from the Erection Fund. My experience has led me to feel that they are not suited to owning and controlling the building. Requests come for its use for improper purposes and it will become well nigh impossible to refuse these when they fully realize that the building is theirs. ^{As it is} They seem never to have fully grasped ~~the~~ our intention that they should own the building. They knew that the money came from me and they considered that the Board was doing it. From these considerations and the fact that

I was called away from Haines just at this juncture, it would seem best to me that the Board assume the ownership and have power to control and direct the uses to which it is put. Personally, I would dislike very much having any obligations left over by me to be saddled on my successor. The property is a good investment, well worth the money, and now that white people are locating in the vicinity the value will be enhanced.

Mr. Mackintosh and I agreed to purchase the property paying one half down. This was done with the \$150 loaned. Subsequently I paid \$30 as an accommodation and the remainder was due at the close of the fishing season. Hasko being unwilling to wait till we should hear from the Board of Church Direction, it was necessary for me to advance the money, to save the property and our reputation, and I was very glad to be in position to do it. The affairs of the Haines mission being out of my hands, I trust that you will see that I am reimbursed for this amount at your convenience, that I may refund to my friend.

Trusting the whole affair will be satisfactorily adjusted,

I remain, yours as ever,

Norman B. Harrison.

November 12th, 1904.

Rev. Norman B. Harrison,

Skagway, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Harrison:-

Your letter of October 19th in reply to ours of previous date, with regard to the loan made by this Board some months since to make possible the purchase of "Social Hall" at Haines, is at hand, and has had the consideration of the office.

We have had the benefit of Dr. McAfee's report upon the situation while considering the question as to whether or not the Board should take over the title to this property. In the meantime we are informed by Dr. White, Secretary of the Board of Church Erection Fund, that that Board has by formal vote made a grant of \$200.00 on account of this enterprise. Such being the case, you will be able to reimburse yourself for the present advances, and will, from the same source, be able to repay this Board \$50.00 of the \$150.00 loan. Am I correct in the supposition that it is the intention to so use the amount thus raised from the Board of Church Erection Fund?

Beyond this we note that it is the expectation to convert this building into a Native Church, and that probably, with what the natives get from the white element for the amount they have put into the Chapel, they will be able to reimburse the Board for nearly the whole of our advance.

Rev. Norman B. Harrison. 2

Is this the correct status of the matter at the present time? If not, I shall be glad to be set right.

We understand you to be clear in your conviction that this Board should take over the title to the property, and I suppose that, if it is finally concluded so to do, the Board of Church Erection Fund will want us to give the mortgage.

In the light of the attitude of the Board of Church Erection and of further developments which may have taken place, will you kindly write me again?

With regards, believe me,

Very cordially yours,

Treasurer.

Skagway, Alaska, Nov. 24th, 1904.

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Mr. H. C. Olin:-
156 Fifth Ave., N.Y.,

Dear Mr. Olin:-

Today's mail brought yours of the 19th for which I had been waiting before writing again. I was glad to get Dr. White's letter informing me of the \$200 grant. But the question that arises in my mind is, how to get it unless the Board of Home Missions takes over the property. It is held until the trustees certify that its payment will leave the property free of debt. Your \$150 and my \$120 present an obstacle which I had hoped would be removed by the Board assuming ownership and trusteeship.

When the \$120 are paid from the \$200, there would be a balance of \$80. This, if payment could be secured under the present conditions from the Board of Church Erection, could go toward reimbursing your Board. The building however, costing only \$300, is not weather-proof. We did some work toward ceiling it last winter but there is only a single floor and the task of making it comfortable in cold weather is an impossible one. Another floor should at least be laid. But perhaps they can take care of this and apply the money from the white church, when the change is made, to doing other repairs and making necessary alterations. Further, there being no minister there this winter, it leaves the natives freer in the use of the present church and makes these changes less imperative for the present.

I still think it would be best for the Board to own the property, but

since they hesitate to remit the obligation of \$150, I would make this proposal: that the Board forgive \$74 of the debt, which would leave the property clear with the payment of the \$200 since from it could be paid the \$120, the \$4 insurance and \$76 to the Home Board.

This would leave the Board free to act as trustees or not, as they wished and would put the matter in such shape that whatever the people are able to do will go to alterations, something tangible that they can see and appreciate. The house was bought so long ago that it is difficult for some of them to grasp the need of handing out money to pay for it now.

Trusting that you will be able to adjust matters satisfactorily and secure the money in a little while, regretting also the need of asking this favor,

I remain, Yours as ever,

A. B. Harrison.

December 12th, 1904.

Rev. Norman B. Harrison,

Skagway, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Harrison:-

Yours of the 24th ult. in reply to ours of the 12th of the same month, both with regard to the advance made by this Board a year ago for the purchase of a building for a social hall, is at hand, and has had the attention ~~of~~ and thought of the officers of the Board.

The matter lies in our minds in this way: When this advance was made, you will remember that it was made after very earnest solicitation on your part, simply as an advance, to be repaid within the year by the people interested. Of course the fact that you were back of the request, gave it very great weight here, and we have depended upon you to see that it was returned. There were no funds in hand from which this loan could properly be made, but we made it as an advance from the general funds, with the confident expectation that it would be returned.

Now, we are inclined to feel, that as you are no very great distance from Haines, under the circumstances, you ought, if necessary, to go to Haines, talk the matter over with the people interested and try and secure funds enough so that this Board will not be out anything by the transaction. Of course, if it is thought wise, and can be amicably arranged that the Board shall take title to the property, well and good. I am sure that could be arranged, but as the matter has all along been handled by yourself, we feel that it should still be taken care of in the same way.

Now, wont you see what you can do in the matter? I may say that funds are not very plenty with us this year, and we need every dollar that can be secured to carry on the work. See what you can do please, before we claim the funds from the Board of Church Erection Fund.

Cordially yours,

(Signed) H. C. Olin,

Treasurer.

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Treasurer.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEAGWAY, ALASKA

N. B. HARRISON, PASTOR

Jan. 16/05.

My dear Mr. Olin:-

Just a word to say that your suggestion has been carried out by me in visiting Haines last week. I secured several \$5 promises before the meeting and then put 75 \$1 blocks upon the blackboard to be cancelled. I was called away by the arrival of the boat which I needed to take or be detained till Friday evening, but we had \$30 provided for when I left. I suggested to Mr. Mackintosh that he leave the board before the people at every prayer-meeting for the rest of the month if necessary. When I learn the final outcome I will let you know.

Our work in Seagway is encouraging. We added five new scholars to our S.S. yesterday and are looking forward to special services.

Yours as ever
N. B. Harrison.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEADWAY, ALASKA

N. B. HARRISON, PASTOR

Jan. 30th, 1935.

My dear Mr. John:-

Mr. Mackintosh brings me word that the natives are in a deadlock regarding the social hall. They held a council and decided first they would pay the entire amount asked if the building would remain a social hall, that is, not come to be considered their church, otherwise they would pay no more upon it. The point was raised while I was there, by one or two of the leaders, as to their future relations to the present church. They realize that to pay for the Social Hall with a view to its becoming a church would be equivalent to buying themselves out of the union church building. It has been pointed out to them that they cannot expect an uninterrupted use of the union church on all occasions and that they should have another place of meeting even though they retained their interest in the present church building. They have been reasoned with and urged to see that it is needful from the viewpoint of their own interest.

I think we can collect the money already promised although it is scarcely right for the few to pay when the many refuse. I shall write Mr. Mackintosh to collect as rapidly as possible. It being settled however that the natives will not pay the deficit directly, I would suggest that you assume the temporary, if not permanent, ownership of the building, receiving from the Board of Church Extension their \$200 grant and charging the natives with the balance of the deficit, which should be less than \$50. This deficit they would pay off eventually and regain ownership. It would be understood that if the whites purchase their interest in the church, this account should first be paid from the fund.

Yours as ever,
N. B. Harrison

T.P.

February 25th, 1905.

Mr. A. R. Macintosh,
Haines, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Macintosh:-

Referring to the matter of the school house which we have been informed, is located upon the 60 foot strip along the beach between the water and the mission property, I beg to say that after consultation with Dr. Sheldon Jackson, it is deemed best to say to you that no house or buildings of any kind should be allowed to remain upon this strip.

Dr. Jackson advises that until June next, that is the close of the school year, the public school shall be allowed to remain where it is without molestation, but at that time he advises we should insist on its removal from the mission front, and upon the removal of all other buildings located there.

Will you kindly take this matter up with the proper authorities in as diplomatic a way as is possible and report to me at your early convenience as to what the outcome is.

Very truly yours,

Treasurer.

Handwritten: 100-10000

Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF U. S. SURVEYOR-GENERAL

FOR THE DISTRICT OF ALASKA,



Sitka, March 4, 1905.

Mr. H. C. Olin,
Treas., Board of Home Missions,
Presbyterian Church of U.S.A.,
156 Fifth Ave., New York City.

Dear Sir:-

This office is in receipt of your letter of the 17th ultimo concerning the survey of the various mission stations of your Board in Alaska, in which you inquire when the deputies will likely file the notes of these surveys, and whether they have an unlimited time in which to do so.

In reply you are advised that the deputies will likely file the returns of the mission surveys with this office on or before the 31st day of December 1905, as the contracts stipulate that said surveys must be completed and the field notes thereof filed with this office not later than that date.

Very truly yours,

Handwritten signature: W. L. Distint

Surveyor General.

It is now a great while since I received word that our Kluckwan Church had been granted \$700 to which I replied that we had met the conditions and were ready to receive the money. I have heard nothing more so I am writing Dr.White today in regard to it. Mr.Falconer has taken up a plot of ground for the church which will be held as Home Board property so if the matter is placed before you,we will be glad for any assistance you may render. I speak of it because the season is short at best and Mr.Falconer,if possible,should not be hindered ~~if possible~~ by the non-arrival of funds already appropriated.

We are having a good season as for weather and there are some encouragements in the religious work.

Faithfully yours
Edman B. Harrison.

Mr. W. H. Mason
 42 South Main - Fairbanks Alaska

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THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

Of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

Comparative Statement of Receipts for CURRENT WORK (exclusive of Legacies) for the Months of OCT., 1902 and 1903

OCTOBER	1902.	1903.	Increase.	Decrease.
From Churches	\$7,325.43	\$9,595.15	\$2,269.72	
" Woman's Societies.....	46.59	25.00		\$21.59
" Sabbath Schools.....	586.32	602.92	16.60	
" Young People's Societies.....	1,128.17	1,075.82		52.35
" Individuals, Etc.....	2,475.02	2,326.62		148.40
" Woman's Board of Home Missions..	†22,487.85	†26,017.07	3,529.22	
Total	\$34,049.38	*\$39,642.58	\$5,593.20	

Comparative Statement of Receipts for CURRENT WORK (exclusive of Legacies) for the 7 Mos. ending Oct. 31, 1902-03

APRIL 1st to OCTOBER 31st	1902.	1903.	Increase.	Decrease.
From Churches	\$49,499.97	\$52,310.31	\$2,810.34	
" Woman's Societies.....	122.59	149.77	27.18	
" Sabbath Schools.....	4,780.53	4,913.02	132.49	
" Young People's Societies.....	4,235.30	3,994.67		\$240.63
" Individuals, Etc.....	48,798.17	37,521.13		11,277.04
" Woman's Board of Home Missions..	†100,227.60	†100,161.48		66.12
Total	\$207,664.16	†\$199,050.38		\$8,613.78

* In addition there was received on Legacy account, \$17,907.55

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† Includes amounts from Sabbath Schools, Young People's Societies, Woman's Societies, Individuals and Legacies

HARVEY C. OLIN, Treasurer,

156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

P.F.

March 9th, 1905.

Rev. K. B. Harrison,

Skagway, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Harrison:-

Your letter of January 30th has been upon my desk for some time, was held in the expectation that I should hear something further from you as to the outcome of the effort to collect from the natives, funds upon the Social Hall at Haines. Failing to receive such word, and under the impression that you would like this matter settled as soon as possible, let me ask what you have to suggest as to the "modus operandi" by which we shall ^{through the Board of} take over the ownership of the property? The natives, I gather from your letters, consider that they own the property. Now, how can it be managed that the title shall be vested in this Board without giving offence to them?

Again, upon what property is the building located? Is it so located that a title in fee can be secured?

Upon receipt of your reply to these questions I can take up the whole matter with our Board and the Board of Church Erection. Of course it is only upon the ground that the property is to be used in some sense as a church building or chapel that the grant of the Board of Church Erection can become available, as they make no loans or grants upon anything except church buildings or manses.

Awaiting your word, and assuring you that we are anxious to co-operate with you in closing the matter up, if it can be done to the satisfaction of all concerned, I am

Very truly yours,

Treasurer.

OFFICE CONSTRUCTING QUARTERMASTER,
FORT WILLIAM H. SEWARD

HAINES, ALASKA.



March 10th 1905

H.C. Olin. Treas

Board of Home Missions Presby. Church
New York City

Dear Sir.

In reply to an inquiry by Mr Mackintosh in charge of Presbyterian Mission at this place, regarding the location of the School house built by the people of Haines last Nov. I would say that the building does not encroach on the 60 foot reservation for roadways along the beach insofar as we can determine where such strip of land is located from our surveys locating mean high and extreme high water lines after a series of tidal observations. In accordance with an order from the War Dept this strip of land between the military post and town of Haines, was cleared last year and buildings have not been permitted a location thereon.

Yours Respy

E. A. LeWald

Civil Engineer Q.M. Dept.

ELIAS RUUD

UNITED STATES DEPUTY LAND SURVEYOR

UNITED STATES DEP. MINERAL SURVEYOR

CIVIL ENGINEER

SKAGWAY, - - - - - ALASKA

March 11 1905

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Mr. A. R. Mackintosh

Haines

Dear Sir.--

No permanent meander corners have been established, as the instructions for the survey of missions in Alaska do not call for it.

The school house was not built at the time of my survey, but observing it in passing by later on, I feel satisfied that it can not in any way, shape or manner interfere with the "60 ft."

The meander line is established well to the east of the buildings referred to in your letter.

10 I believe you are mistaken when you state that the mean high tide was determined in the court. The line plotted and presented was by both parties agreed upon as the line for determining the points at issue, but that does not establish a permanent line, neither is that a point to be determined by the courts but can only be done by a survey under the authority of the Dept. of the Interior, such as my survey under contract no. 8.

Practically my meander coincides with that of Mr. LeWold's. Mr. LeWold can also show you where my line runs, as we have been over it together.

Very truly yours

Elias Ruud

Haines, Alaska.

March 13th 1905

Hon. H. C. Olin:

Dear Sir:—Replying to your note of 25th ult.
In the first paragraph ^{where} you say the school house "is located on the 60 feet strip along the beach between the water and the mission property."

The letter of engineer E. A. LeWald forwarded by mail of two days ago, and the note of engineer Elias Ruud in answer to my inquiry concerning either the east or the west boundary line of the strip reserved for road-way along the sea beach east of Mission Claim, I believe will answer your inquiry.

In the second paragraph of your note occurs this clause "we should insist on its removal from the mission front."

I am not sure of your meaning in that part italicized. I think the location of school building was described to Mr. McArthur by the writer as being on the edge or margin of Mission Claim 127 yards S. E. of Willard Home, adjoining the 60 ft. reserved road way. Notice that E. Ruud says.

"The meander line is established well to the east of the buildings referred to in your letter"

The buildings referred to were Mrs Bolnis and Mr Lindholm's near station 10 see profile of boundary line survey of 1896 of Mission Claim.

At the point mentioned by Mr Ruud, opposite to the school house, and extending to the east end of Mrs. Bolnis' house foundation it measures 80 ft. somewhere on said 80 ft. the 60 ft. road way is located.

I met E. A. Le Wald at the school house, pointed out to him two sets of stakes driven by his assistants J. H. Sylvorster and Fred. G. L. Hunt when determining the line of mean high tide for the trial in Dist. Court vs those charged with bringing upon (located) tide lands; Le Wald then and there disclaimed knowing where any of the land lines are located.

Neither Hunt nor Sylvorster gave me any definite information regarding the permanent land or road lines.

Ruud admits there is nothing between the corners to show the boundary of either road strip or

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6 Land. Ruess's instructions as contracting land
surveyor, for the Interior Dept., of the Mission
Claim at Haines, ^{is} to have his report filed by March 31
1905. If instructions should be given today to put the
Mission fence on east side of claim on the line
between the mission property and the west line of
the reserve road strip, it could be no nearer
approximated than three years ago ~~when~~ with nothing
to guide but the bench marks of the Whitworth
survey of 1896. and to put the fence on the line
would require the expense of another survey.

Again LeHald asserts that Mr Ruess erred in
getting the true meridian by 28' and that his
survey is in error that much.

You should have what I write on this point and more
from the proper source, therefore will cease.

Mr Ruess quotes me on line 10, his letter, as saying, "in the Court."
I believe I said as on line 14, 2^d page this letter, "for the Court."
E.A. LeHald expects to be in New York City in two months;
he promised me to call on you then.

Trusting to have made the matter clear to you - remain

Yours Respectfully - A.R. Mackintosh

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEAGWAY, ALASKA

N. B. HARRISON, PASTOR

Mar. 29th, 1906.

H. C. Olin, Treasurer,

126 Fifth Ave, N.Y. City,

Dear sir:-

Yours of recent date relative to the Haines business has just been received. At the present time I cannot even report progress but next week I go to Haines to attend the meeting of Presbytery and I hope at that time to get the matter in such shape that it can be disposed of without further delay.

I regret the entire matter very much but I assure you that had I remained in Haines and had control of matters, my plans were such that we would have had the money returned in full before this.

Yours as ever, *A. B. Harrison*

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIKAGWAY, ALASKA

N. B. HARRISON, PASTOR

April 13th, 1905.

H.C. Olin, 156 Fifth Ave., N.Y.,

Dear sir:-

Last week I went to Prince of Peace Presbyterian, returning Saturday evening. I obtained possession of the deed which I enclose and in talking it over with Mr. Mackintosh it was thought that the forwarding of this to you would be sufficient conveyance of title and practically all that could well be done.

In the first place the local Presbyterian Church is not an incorporated body and there is no provision in the present code for such incorporation. "The Trustees" was originally intended to be constituted by the missionaries in charge and three natives. At a meeting where the matter was explained, owing to their lack of initiative, I virtually appointed three to act with me. From the beginning Mr. Mackintosh failed to accept the position, the term of appointment of the three natives was expired and I have no connection with either the church or the Home Board. Further the local church has no claim to its ownership, further than having made suggested improvements based upon the fact that it was purchased for them. They have taken no hand in providing the \$300 purchase price, it being made up as follows;

Board of Home Missions.	\$150.00
From General Fund of outside ^{missionary} gifts	30.00
N.B. Harrison, to complete payment	120.00

It would seem to me that the above is sufficient to establish the fact that the Board of Home Missions is the only body having rightful

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SKAGWAY, ALASKA

N. B. HARRISON, PASTOR

title to the property.

Recently the natives have made quite an improvement in the interior of the building so that it ~~quite~~ resembles a small church auditorium, with balcony at one end. They naturally feel a pride in this and later on, when a minister arrives whose work among the whites will require more frequent use of the present church, making them more dependent upon this building, I believe they will be glad to negotiate for title to the property in their own name.

As for the enclosed deed, it is all that can be obtained and all that is required under present conditions in Alaska, outside of patented townsites. It is duly recorded and meets all the requirements of the law. It is the same grade of title as that by which our Skagway Church was held when the Board of Church Erection granted us \$1000, but this deed conveys an uncontested title as the Skagway deed did not.

Trusting these representations with the accompanying deed may be sufficient to secure an early settlement satisfactory to all concerned,

I remain, Yours as ever,

Norman P. Harrison.

Wm. H. Haines
Wm. H. Haines
Hon. H. C. Olin: -

Haines, Alaska, April 13^d 1905

Sir:

At Haines there is a rumor that the military here contemplate opening a road, they call it street, from First Avenue in Haines to fort W. H. Seward.

I imagine the course will be a right line south, which will make the length thereof 31 rods, more or less. First Avenue Haines is opposite the west side of Mission Cleared land and along mission pole fence running north to south.

If anything be said to me before hearing from you, protest shall be entered on the ground of two fences to maintain where one is now and the one there now should not be renewed when it fails, for ten years ago it was estimated the farm fences of United States Cost more than the farms; gates will have to be maintained crossing the street forever: Stock beyond the street to be shifted must be delivered beyond and taken from beyond that street; transporting any material, two gates must be opened and closed 4 times each trip: here there is no stock law, all stock run at large, the character of the soil and crops necessitate the gates to be closed

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constantly; the time required to open and close gates @ 35° to 40° per hour will amount to considerable daily; hence the inexpediency of said street; it divides the farm into two parts, two farms, one economically operated whole, divided into two separate, independent, disconnected parts always operated at a disadvantage. If the Land Office accepted the report of Mission Land Survey due March 31st 1905 from Elias Ruud C.E. who had the contract, all haste should be made in applying for and endeavors to obtain patent therefor. The military authorities will be constantly making discoveries of new uses for and claims upon various parts of this mission; for instance our larger share of sunshine is already envied.

When Presbyter was walking between Fort Seward and Haines N.B. Harrison was asked to indicate any one of the lines established recently by civil engineers Ruud and LeWald, while we were passing along and over said lines, viz: mean tide line, either east or west line of 60 ft. reserved road way on sea beach; he declared to be ignorant of the location of any one of them.

Respectfully Submitted

A. A. MacKintosh

Haines, Alaska.

Department of the Interior,

Bureau of Education,

ALASKA DIVISION,

Washington D.C. Apr 26, 1905

Mr. G. C. Clin

B² of H. M.

New York N.Y.

My dear Mr Clin

Yours of Yesterday Concerning
Mission land at Kaines is received

I would certainly enter a protest against
opening the Street through the land.

The protest should be made both at the
Land Office at Sitka + General Land Office
at Washington.

Have Mr Macintosh
Keep you informed of the progress of matters
And it may become necessary for a Com^{tee}
of the Board to come to Washington + see the
President and Sec of War.

If you could get Senators Platt and DeFaw
or other influential Congressmen when in
Washington to see the Secretary of the Interior
+ ~~Gen~~ Commissioner of Gen. Land Office
it will be helpful in getting the survey
pushed. There is no ^{good} reason why the surveys
should be delayed year after year but indifference
Sincerely yours Sheldon Jackson

Kindly return to
H.C. Olin

C. L. THOMPSON

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Haines, Alaska.

April 21st 1905.

H.C. Olin Esq.:

Sir: — Sam Dennis an indian gave a lot as site for the school and teachers building the United States propose building at Haines this year; the plans received show a foundation 85 ft. x 55 ft. ^{over all.} and the Specifications call for a grade 20 ft. wide all round the building, which necessitate a lot 150' x 100' almost, or exactly 125' x 95'

The lot given is 66' x 50' Peter Brown, an indian who owns the adjoining lot ~~has~~ promised half of his lot to the Peniel Mission people, and asked us \$50.00 for the other half, so far we have not been able to collect the \$50., but are still at work collecting; on the promise of P. Brown we could have the lot free, W.A. Kelley was notified thereof, and asked to send Civil engineer and give levels to contracting Carpenters here that they may bid on building; now Brown asks us \$50. as stated above. the lot given is on the hill side, above and north of Social Hall viz. N.W. of Social Hall about 200 ft.

over

If no lot can be secured otherwise may
the school and teacher's building be placed on
Main Street say 50' west of Church, and will
you allow and give to the United States 150' x
100' along the line of Main Street as a site for
said school and teacher's home?

Respectfully

A. R. MacKintosh

P.S. The proposed building is to be exclusively used
for Indians.

A. R. M.

Chas. S. 15/05
GFM

Haines, Alaska, April 26th 1905.

Hon. H. C. Clin. —

Sir:

For three hours yesterday afternoon the writer tried to follow the Mission Claim line from the N. H. Cor., to the S. H. Cor., but failed; there being no brush cut, except near the N. W. Cor., that I could find, nor any blazes on trees, nor set pegs observed.

Therefore I am unable to positively say the men now cutting piles are doing so on the Mission Claim.

The north line running west was prolonged several hundred ft. by the last survey of Mission Claim, thereby changing the N. H. Cor., and making the west, north and south line a new line throughout, and altogether outside of the two wire fence made three years ago; farther, E. A. LeWald did say the last survey of Mission Claim is not a correct survey, did you so report it to the Land Office, Can the Land Office detect it without its being pointed out to them? ~~not yet he said~~ I think not, he said. I have not reported it yet; that was some time ago. In my uncertainty yesterday, did not show myself to the pile cutters.

The story and a half battered house built by the

Old brick yard Co., has been repaired and occupied by M. E. and Fred. Handy and Fred's wife, said house was claimed in the location of the Company organized three years ago for making brick tile etc, and who were defeated two years ago in the Dist. Court at Skagway, by Board of Home Missions; the Handys were members of that new Co., and their having cut Cord wood and now cutting piles this spring and occupying the house, is symptomatic of a legal contest if interferred with; said house is by the last survey of Mission claim given to the Mission except one corner of its Kitchen.

Should the Land Office reject the last survey of the Mission claim, any court contest with the Handys by present conditions would mean defeat to the mission.

Respectfully

A. R. MacKintosh

Haines.

Alaska.

Area of Mission claim by last survey as shown by a blue print outline, received from E. A. LeWald C. E. for Military Post here is 300.68 acres.

A. R. M.

~~My dear Sir~~
Gent

Dear Sir,

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He does not seem to understand that it is not who
goes off ship along the board when
we are alone - but whether
the authorities are on our hand
or the military reserve - If not, we
shall it must be on our part of
the ship about mentioned before.

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New York, May 4th, 1905.

Mr. H. C. Olin,
Office.

My dear Mr. Olin:-

In regard to the letter of Mr. A. R. Mackintosh, Haines, Alaska, under date April 21st, 1905, permit me to say:-

That, at conference with the executive officers of the two Boards held on yesterday, it was decided that it would be desirable to offer the United States Government a square of land bordering on the village of Haines west of our church building, for public school purposes, if so desired by Dr. Jackson. You are requested to correspond with Dr. Jackson in regard to the matter.

Very sincerely yours,

Geo. F. McAfee

F.F.

May 4th, 1905.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

We are in receipt of a letter from A. R. Macintosh of Haines Mission, Alaska, which I am forwarding to you ~~herewith~~ herewith for your information.

May we have your thought upon the matter, with the return of the letter?

Further, let me say that at a conference of the executive officers of this Board and the Woman's Board it has been decided that it would be desirable to offer to the Government a square of land bordering on the Village of Haines west of our church building, for public school purposes, provided it is desired by yourself.

In replying to this letter may we ask that your thought upon this suggestion also.

Awaiting your word before writing Mr. Macintosh,
I am

Very truly yours,

Treasurer.

(Enclosure)

F.F.

May 5th, 1905.

Mr. A. R. Macintosh,
Raines, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Macintosh:-

Your favor of the 13th of April, with relation to a rumor that the Military was contemplating the opening of a road through our property, was duly received and has had the consideration of the officers of the Board, and also that of Dr. Sheldon Jackson, Superintendent of Government Schools in Alaska.

I have now to say that we desire you to proceed most emphatically, as you have suggested, against the contemplated opening of such a road. We will supplement your efforts in this direction by addressing a letter direct to the Land Office at Sitka, and one to the General Land Office at Washington. We will also ask some of our influential people at Washington to push the issuing of patents. It is, as you say, a matter of great annoyance that these patents have not ~~been~~ as yet been issued. We shall try to see that they are actually issued and the land in our own possession by fee simple title, at as early a date as is possible.

Will you kindly keep us posted with regard to this matter, if any progress is made by the Military authorities toward the opening of this street. In fact, I think it would be unwise for us to interest Senators Platt and Depew in this matter until we actually know that the road is positively contemplated. Kindly, therefore, post me promptly, as you may have occasion to do so.

Very truly yours,

Treasurer.

Handwritten: 5/15/05
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
ALASKA DIVISION,

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Washington, D. C., May 6, 1905.

Mr. H. C. Olin,
Board of Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Olin:

With regard to the school lot which the citizens of Haines, Alaska, claim to have provided for a school building, I would state that it was considered by the Government too small for the purpose. Then again it was not deeded to the United States but to a couple of men in Haines as trustees for the school district. The Government would not consider for a moment building a government school building on such land.

I was very glad to hear that the Board was willing, if no more suitable place could be found, to furnish a school lot out of their reservation. I would most certainly recommend that that should be done, as the location is very much better than the one proposed by the citizens.

If I can assist you in any way in bringing it about please indicate what you would like to have me do. I had hoped to visit New York before the meeting of the General Assembly but

probably will not now be able to do so on account of a press of business until after you return from the General Assembly.

Very sincerely yours,

Abraham Jackson

General Agent, &c.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
ALASKA DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., May 9, 1905.

Mr. H. C. Olin,

Home Mission Board,

156 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I answered your letter of May 4th the other day but neglected to return you Mr. Mackintosh's letter of April 21, which I now do, with the recommendation that if the citizens of Haines fail to provide a suitable lot and Mr. Kelly cannot find one, for the Government, then I would very urgently recommend that a suitable lot be provided from the Mission ground near the Church, as that is a suitable place for the native school.

Very sincerely yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

F.F.

May 12th, 1905.

Rev. Norman B. Harrison,

Skagway, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Harrison:-

Your letter of April 13th, accompanied by a deed from Kasko to the "Trustees of the Chilkat Presbyterian Church" came duly to hand, and your suggestions relative thereto had the attention of the officers of the Board. In reply I beg to say, were this deed a deed to the Board of Home Missions we would accept it without question, and could, upon the strength of it, secure from the Board of Church Erection Fund, the grant of \$200. made some time ago. As, however, the deed is not to this Board at all, you will see that it is ~~not~~ no basis upon which we can go to the Board of Church Erection Fund for this grant. I return the deed herewith, and beg to suggest that if possible you will get a deed from Kasko direct to the "Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America", unless, indeed, the Trustees of the "Chilkat Presbyterian Church" constitute an incorporated body. If that is so, the deed can run from the Trustees to the Board of Home Missions.

I am sorry that this matter cannot be more speedily settled, especially for your own convenience, but, as I have said above, the grant could not be gotten upon the strength of such title.

Awaiting your further word, I am

Very truly yours,

Treasurer.

(Enclosure)

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New York, May 15th, 1905.

Mr. A. R. Mackintosh,
Haines, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Mackintosh:-

Mr. Olin, who is now on his way West with the remains of his only son, who died some days ago, has requested me to answer your letter of April 26th.

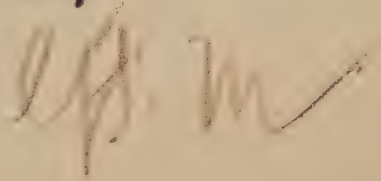
It would be safe, I am sure, for you to warn the parties who are cutting piles, and also the persons living in the house built where the brick kiln was operated, to vacate the premises. That, it seems to me, would be the safe thing to do; and it would be wise for them to heed the warning, as it might save them trouble and cost.

We are offering to the Government, through Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D., a lot of land - either a whole block or half a block - for public school purposes, provided Mr. Kelly cannot find a suitable location in the village.

You can easily run a line parallel with the cross streets of the village west from the church so as to enclose a block, or half a block, for school purposes.

This will be your authority, should Mr. Kelly desire to locate such lot, to assist him in doing so. We do not care to have it within fifty or one hundred feet of the church if it can be avoided.

Very sincerely yours,



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New York, May 15th, 1905.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

Your two letters of 6th and 9th insts., addressed to Mr. H. C. Olin, are before me. Mr. Olin is on the way West with the remains of his son, and has asked me to reply to these letters.

We are all agreed, in the office, that a location west of our church at Haines, across the main street of the village, would be a very desirable place for the schoolhouse. In time, as you know, some of our land will doubtless be sold to settlers, and the school building should be located at a central point.

This will be your authority to instruct Mr. Kelly that an offer is made by the Board of the lot as indicated.

I have this day written Mr. A. R. Mackintosh to honor your call if such is your final decision.

Very sincerely yours,



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SEAGWAY, ALASKA
N. B. HARRISON, PASTOR



May 26th, 1905

Mr. H. C. Olin, Treasurer,

156 Fifth Ave., N.Y. City,

Dear Mr. Olin:-

It gives me pleasure to feel that the last necessary step has been taken from this end of the line in a most dilatory matter, and that I am able to enclose to you the deed direct from Kasko as you have suggested. This is such a deed as meets every requirement of law and usage in Alaska. I trust it will enable you to speedily complete the transaction that has been so long pending.

Just at present our recording office is vacant but if you see fit at some future date to return the deed to me I will have it duly recorded. Kasko's former deed was so recorded. I will file away the indenture by which the title was temporarily turned back to Kasko in order that he might have the legal right to transfer it to the Board of Home Missions, and whenever you request it I will have the two transactions recorded that the matter may show correctly upon the Recorder's books.

Thanking you for your kindness and patience in the matter,

I remain,

Most sincerely yours,

Norman B. Harrison

*Get and send to
Adm. of Home Miss.
Bd. of H.M.*

THE BOARD OF THE CHURCH ERECTION FUND
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

ERSKINE N. WHITE, *Cor. Sec.*
ADAM CAMPBELL, *Treas.*

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156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK,
(Room 814.)

June 20 1905

Rev.

Mr W. C. Olin

156 5th Ave New York

DEAR BROTHER :

In response to your letter of 20th

I enclose the following papers to be completed and returned by the Trustees of the Union Presbyterian Church of Union Alaska to receive the appropriation for its church edifice.

1. *The Mortgage*.—This should be executed under the direction of the counsel in accordance with the laws of the State and duly recorded. After recording, the certificate upon fourth page should be signed by the appointed counsel.

2. *The Insurance Survey*.—This should be filled as accurately as possible, and location indicated upon the diagram. Owing to the extent of its insurance, the Board cannot accept policies furnished by the Church, but must procure them itself.

3. *The Trustees' Certificate*.—This is to assure the Board that there will be no debt remaining for which the Church is either legally or morally liable.

The mortgage and insurance survey can be returned at any time, but the money cannot be forwarded until the certificate, giving assurance that all collections are completed, is also received.

With best wishes,

Yours fraternally,

E. N. White

F.F.

June 27th, 1905.

Rev. Norman B. Harrison,
Skagway, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Harrison:-

Once more referring to yours of May 26th with regard to the native mission property at Haines, taken over from "Kasko".

I am now enclosing to you herewith the following:

1st. Mortgage of this Board to the Board of Church Erection.

2nd. The deed from "Kasko" to this Board.

3rd. A survey blank for the insurance.

Please to see that the first two are properly recorded, and as soon as possible. When they are returned to this office we shall be able to secure the funds from the Board of Church Erection and settle up this long standing matter.

Yours very truly,

Treasurer.

(Enclosures)

F.F.

July 27th, 1905.

Rev. E. N. White, D. D., Sec.,
Building.

Dear Dr. White:-

Enclosed herewith I pass you the following papers:

- 1st. Bond and Mortgage covering the native mission building at Haines, Alaska.
- 2nd. The survey blank.

I think you will find ~~that~~ them all in order and all recorded. I believe that this is all you are waiting for in order to pay over to this Board the amount of the grant. We shall be glad of a remittance at your early convenience.

Yours very truly,

Treasurer.

(Enclosure)

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DICTATED.

F.F.

Memorandum for Mr. Banks

July 27th, 1905.

Please register this deed in your property book. It covers property upon which the Board of Church Erection is making us a grant of \$200. The completed papers have been placed in Dr. White's hands and he should remit very shortly.

You will remember that we have an account with the Native Church at Haines whereby an advance of ^(Haines) \$135. is shown to have been made over a year ago. Please credit the proceeds of this mortgage to this account and look over the correspondence with Rev. N. B. Harrison, by which you will see what adjustments should be ultimately made.

The bill for recording I suppose should be paid to Mr. Harrison.

Treasurer.



No. **28997**

156 Fifth Ave., New York,

Aug 17th 1905 -

"The Board of the Church Erection Fund of the General

Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. of America." acknowledges the Receipt of

Four Dollars from the

Board of Home Missions Presbyterian Church Premier

on Chilkat Indian Chapel Synod of Haines, Alaska

through Deduction in remittance of date

ADAM CAMPBELL, Treasurer.

PER

A. J. A.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give, devise, and bequeath unto "The Board of the Church Erection Fund of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America," the sum of.....

.....Dollars, to be expended for the appropriate objects of said Corporation.

Gifts or bequests to the Manse Fund should be so designated,

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Aug 14 1905

Haines, Alaska

Aug 3^d 1900

I am cutting grass for hay, heavier than last year, but drying by drouth more severe than any experienced since being in the country - (5 years.)

Civil Engineers are mapping for new road from Haines Westward - aiming for Endicott. They have but \$40,000 to be divided between six localities viz. Nome, Valdez, Fairbanks, Haines, Juneau, Ketchikan.

I had Conference with Major Richardson and Lieut. Pillsbury two of Alaska Road Commissioners and asked them to put the road leaving Haines on Mission boundary line as pointed out to you a year ago. Lieut P. said such lines would not be considered, the cheapest route only to be considered. I talked with the locating C.E. last night, he said they are to recommend straightening the old or present trail, that will leave a very narrow strip north of road or a very wide road way.

I talked with the locating C.E. a few days before, giving him my views and reasons for

putting road on line, and why it
is best to put it on line. Citing old
world practice, and the lowering of the dignity
of a U.S. surveyor in following a grape vine
survey. the marring the figure of the valley
by a zigzag route, etc.

I send no financial report for July, but will
have a short one for August.

Respectfully

A. R. Mackintosh

P.S. The new School and Teacher's Home
building has been begun here. Cost about
\$3.200.

Haines Alaska.

Aug. 17th 1905

H. C. Olin Esq:

Dear Sir:

Believing you to be the proper Member of Board
and of matter ^{does not seem to be there.} I suggest that some atty. be engaged
to address, or retained to prepare the Haines Land Case
for presentation before the General Land Office,
for the reason that when the case does come
up for adjudication the most desirable lawyers for
the Board may be at that time engaged with
the opposition, even now questions arise that
the counsel of an atty. would be desirable.

(Example - R. M. Odell - merchant, years ago obtained
permission of H. H. Warner to sink a bbl. for water on track.

Odell was ousted from that property by U. S. Military
Authority; during this summer's drouth, Odell
cleaned out said water bbl. and padlocked same.
he was requested to remove the padlock, it was smashed
again. The military people at the Post do haul all
their garbage on to the Mission, and the symptoms
are they intend to make the practice permanent.

Is it best to be silent until patent shall have been
obtained or make a rumpus now and cause

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more Mission land to be set apart for military by presidential proclamation? Please advise me in the matter.)

Ex District Judge Melville C. Brown who tried the land cases of Haines Mission at Skagway Alaska. April 1903, has formed a law partnership with a Seattle Firm, and sent their card here, Jno. G. Price is also a Seattle resident, he appeared for Mission at Skagway. either of the above have most knowledge of land case here.

Since April 1903 the two wire fence westward along north boundary line of Mission Claim is being broken down until now there is scarcely any of it left, and stock have eaten off a swamp cut last year for hay; ^{at the north west cor. of claim;} also the field around mission buildings is broken into day and night as pasture gets scarce. I have no win.

Respectfully

A. R. Mackintosh

Haines,

Alaska.

Haines. (Alaska)

Sept. 8th 1905



H.C. Clin Esq:

Sir: For several weeks two deputy surveyors for the U.S. Govt. have been running lines westward for the making a road from Haines to and up the Chilkat river. When the road Commissioners came first to Haines I called upon them, diagram of Mission Claim in hand, and requested the road to be located upon the boundary lines of Mission. Lieut. Pillsbury informed me that private property lines would not be considered in laying out the road: reasoning with him was of no avail. When the deputies began work, called upon them, gave many reasons why the road should be located upon or near the property lines. Sylvester, the one in charge, said, their instructions were to locate upon the cheapest route regardless of property lines; the last three days the poll tax is being expended cutting out road location. it follows the Mission line westward = nearly half the distance from Mission Cor. 1, then deflects south and continues westward upon mission claim.

Sept. 26th, At the north west corner of mission claim, the road location has been cut out and from the east and west line north boundary of mission claim it is in steps 40 yds, to the road location, and location 20' wide, total for the road and strip outside of road 140 ft. nothing more has been done than cutting out location.

In a note from W. A. Kelly Supt. of school house construction - said no appropriation had so far been designated for school desks, do you wish to dispose of the 24 double seat school desks and two (2) recitation 6 ft. seats now in mission school room? they are considerably worn but in good condition, how much should be asked for them?

Respectfully

J. R. Mackintosh

P.F.

September 18th, 1905.

J. G. Price, Esq.,

Seattle, Wash.

My dear Sir:-

A communication received, a few days since, from Mr. A. R. Macintosh, our missionary in charge of the industrial work at Faines, Alaska, indicated that, in his opinion, it would be wise for us to engage or retain an Attorney for the presentation of the Faines Land ~~aff~~ case before the General Land Office. I am not quite clear as to just what Mr. Macintosh may mean, because, as you know, in conjunction with our Rev. S. Hall Young, you some two or three years ago, prepared all the papers in these cases. However, I have suggested to Mr. Macintosh to advise with you upon any points which he may desire advice upon, and we shall be glad if you will kindly advise him upon the same liberal terms which you were kind enough to extend to us previously.

I have asked Mr. Macintosh, in writing to you in any specific case, to send us copies of his letters. If you will, in turn, send to this office copies of your letters in reply, we shall then be in possession of all correspondence. Of course if anything of large moment should arise, we would want you to consult with this office before taking any definite action.

We have information from the General Land Office at Washington that it is the expectation that the surveys of these lands will have been made previous to January 1st next, and that the patents will very shortly thereafter be issued. Have you any information upon this matter?

Thanking you in advance for a word upon the situation,
I am

Very truly yours,

Treasurer.

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September 18th, 1905.

Mr. A. R. Macintosh,

Haines, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Macintosh:-

Your favor of the 17th ult., addressed to this office with regard to the land situation, and the advisability of retaining counsel to prepare our cases for presentation before the General Land Office, is at hand.

I agree with you as to the advisability of having a counsel to whom important matters may be referred, and I would advise that Mr. John C. Price of Seattle, Wash., who has, as you know, acted for us in the matter of the suits, be advised with in case of necessity. I will write Mr. Price to-day, saying to him that you may occasionally refer matters to him, and asking him to act for us if he ~~has~~ is not already retained by the opposition.

Let me suggest that whenever a specific case is referred to him, copies of your letters making such reference, be forwarded to this office. We shall then be kept thoroughly posted with regard to all these land matters.

I have been corresponding very vigorously with the Land Office, and with our Senators from this district, with regard to the issue of patents for all our lands in Alaska. It is the expectation that these patents may be issued before the first of the year.

With regard to the wire fence along the north boundary: Will you be good enough at once to give me an estimate of what it will cost to repair this fence. If the cost is not excessive, and it seems necessary for the protection of our interests that the fence shall be erected, without waiting for specific authority from this office, please see that it is attended to. If, however, nothing will be harmed by a previous reference to this office, please give me an estimate of the cost.

Referring now to a letter which came in a communication to Dr. Dixon, dated August 3rd, with regard to the laying out of a new road from Haines westward: Let me ask, before anything further is said upon the matter, what the final conclusion was with regard to this road, if such conclusion has been reached, or whether there is something we can do by presenting the case to the

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Land Office, or to the War Department.

Awaiting your further word, I am

Yours very cordially,

Treasurer.

Haines, Alaska. 9-29-1905.

~~H. C. Olin Esq.~~

Dear Sir: — On receiving your letter of the 18th inst. at once concluded a more full report should be made on the road westward from Haines; and in justification of not having done so give the reason:

As the member of the Board who last visited Haines and I were walking over this same trail, the 'Mission boundary line was pointed out and the location of where the road should be when made, as made it would be in the near future, no notice whatever was taken of my observations.

From the N.W. Cor. of the Mission claim eastward, there lies outside of the strip 20' wide cleared of brush for the new road, another strip 37 yds wide by 475 yds long and containing about 3.6 acres, that will be lost to the Mission.

By shoving the new road north to the boundary line and still be all on the Mission, which I believe it should be, would necessitate a ditch 150 yds.

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long sloped from 6' at top of ditch to 2' at bottom of ditch and 4' deep, that can be excavated by plow and scraper through a whitish clay mostly; the increased graveling on top of road more than will be required now would not exceed 30 yds in length; but the clearing of road way of timber or stumps would be more than where located now, and that largely because of their taking or going upon 100 yds of land cleared by us for meadow land and on which we did cut a little grass one year, and by reason of being farther in on timber cut by Effie Grant and others in the past.

The most of the land referred to does produce grass so soon as the timber or brush is removed there being but little timber thereon; it has abundance of water all the year, therefore valuable for grazing cattle that will require no attendance in summer when placed there; cattle upon it and other contiguous grass land the past summer were sold to the butcher at Haines for an average of \$50. x per head. sixteen such cattle would have paid my salary for this year.

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since going over the ground after reading your last letter - I have decided going to Skagway and making a second effort to have the road shored north to the line; when before the road Commission Consisting of Maj. Richardson and Lieut. Pillsbury said take of the Mission Claim all you need of land along the boundary line up to 100 ft. ~~or~~ wide. ~~but~~ rather than cause the loss by cutting off a strip north of the road or make it so costly to fence and forever so expensive to keep up.

The only answer received was private land boundaries will not be considered, straight lines cannot be followed.

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Two wires will not make one fence, any more than
"one swallow make summer".

Two wires only were put up when fence was made
all around the claim, where I farm I had to
increase the number to five for safety, 4 would
do until one breaks, ~~with~~ 4 therefore increases the
patrolling immensely.

My remembrance is 6 bds wire cost about \$20.^x
freight \$2.50 for one wire around 500 acres.
it cost \$3.85 per C. B. for galvanized 10¢ less for
black wire galvanized is much the cheaper.
I had posts enough to extend all round at close range
but the setting so expensive 1/4 of them were not put in
and now they are decayed some and many
were carried away or put on the road for cross
laying. I have a man at \$2.00 per day he and I
would do the work in one week, along the north
line. But I should have 4th ft. for the east and
south at S.E. Cor. at the military Post where broken
down and destroyed. to shut off the Post and
prevent their hauling their garbage and gravel upon
us

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Also remember I have a horse he cannot be out without being lariatated, tethered. horses from outside broke through my brush fence and fork and ridged fence my horse followed them out, I was away, when the horse was caught he was minus the halter, so for two years I have been pestered very considerably, annoyed by outside animals and humans; the one place or instance where the Alaska laws mentions fence it is a 4 wire fence as being sufficient.

When the property was turned over to N.B. Harrison there was not a break in the fence anywhere, but for the 18 months he was here no effort was made to care for it. over a year ago its condition was pointed out to the Board.

Respectfully
A. F. Mackintosh,
Haines,
Alaska.

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October 17th, 1905.

Mr. A. R. Macintosh,
Haines, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Macintosh:-

Let me acknowledge in this your favors of September 8th and 29th, both of which give information as to the survey by the Government for the road running westward from Haines to and up the Chilkat River, etc.

In reply let me say that I do not see but that we are entirely powerless in the situation. Even in communities where the ownership of property is clear and in the hands of individuals, when town corporations determine to cut roads through they are usually put through regardless of property lines. We shall, it seems to me, have to submit, and if, a little later, after our patents are secured, it seems wise to put in a claim for damages, we can do so. We shall wish, however, to be kept informed of the situation as it develops, and if any situation should arise wherein it seems that legal advice is necessary, you may of course put the case before Mr. Price at Seattle.

With regard to the school seats: After consultation with Miss Lincoln, Treasurer of our Woman's Board, it has been decided that these seats may be sold to Mr. Kelly at say \$2.00 each for the double seat desks. We shall have to leave it to you and Mr. Kelly to decide upon an equitable price for the two recitation seats. Please send the funds to this office, should Mr. Kelly make payment to you, or ask him to send a remittance directly here for the same.

And finally as to the wire fencing: We admit the force of your quotation, "two wires will not make one fence any more than one swallow makes a summer", but it seems to us that it is necessary for the protection of our property, and for the clear marking of the lines, that a wire fence of some kind shall be maintained about it. Therefore, if two wires will not do, you should put four, or whatever may be necessary. You will of course know what is the best wire to use, and I shall be glad to have you send me a careful estimate of the total cost of the material and labor in putting it up. If, however, the necessity is urgent that

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the fence should be mended at once, and the cost is within reason, you are authorized to go on with it, making requisition upon this office for the funds to cover the cost.

Awaiting your further word, I am

Very truly yours,

Treasurer.

